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In re the Application of

Yoshiro SHIOKAWA et al.

Group Art Unit: 2853

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Examiner: B. Mouttet

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ION ATTACHMENT MASS SPECTROMETRY

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